

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Manisha Juthani, MD  
Commissioner



Ned Lamont  
Governor  
Susan Bysiewicz  
Lt. Governor

### Order

Pursuant to Sections 19a-131a and 28-9 of the Connecticut General Statutes, Governor Lamont (Governor) declared on March 10, 2020, both a public health emergency and a civil preparedness emergency throughout the State in response to the global pandemic of COVID-19. Since then, the Governor has renewed such declarations and most recently the General Assembly continued the public health and civil preparedness emergencies through June 30, 2022.

Given the continued harmful impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and to ensure that the State can exercise all authorities to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Connecticut citizens, pursuant to Section 19a-131a of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Governor declared on June 30, 2022, a continued public health emergency throughout all counties of the State of Connecticut, to remain in effect through December 15, 2022, unless sooner terminated by the Governor.

Pursuant to the June 30, 2022 Declaration of a public health emergency, the Governor, in consultation with me determined that continuing to reduce the density in congregant housing and provide alternate housing for people experiencing homelessness remained necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of Connecticut residents and authorized me, pursuant to my authority in section 19a-2a of the General Statutes and in coordination with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, and Commissioners of Emergency Services and Public Protection and Housing, to take all necessary steps, including issuing and continuing directives, guidance memoranda, or orders, to arrange non-congregant housing with sufficient physical distancing capacity for people who, from the nature of their existing housing are at increased risk of exposure to, infection with, or transmission of COVID-19 and to apply for and receive federal assistance to cover the same.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the June 30, Declaration of a continued public health emergency and section 19a-2a of the General Statutes to employ the most efficient and practical means for the prevention and suppression of disease, I hereby **ORDER** for the duration of the public health emergency that:



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1. As the State continues to experience intermittent surges of COVID-19 infections and transmission as new variants of the virus emerge, and in order to help to prevent the spread of this virus, particularly to our most vulnerable populations, state, local, and private sector partners work together to immediately arrange for the movement as needed of people experiencing homelessness from congregate shelters to alternative housing for the purpose of providing adequate social distancing between all individuals, including appropriate housing for currently healthy, reasonably believed to have been exposed to or infected with COVID-19, or recovering from COVID-19 individuals.

So ordered this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022



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